(സി) ടി അവസരങ്ങളിൽ ഒരു വശത്തേക്ക മാത്രം യാത്രക്കാർ ഉണ്ടാകുന്നതും മടക്കത്തിൽ കാലിയടിച്ചു പോരേണ്ടതാകകൊണ്ടും ഉണ്ടാകുന്ന ബസ്സ് സർവ്വീസുകാരുടെ നഷ്ടപരിഹാരത്തിന്നാണ് അപ്രകാരം ടാഫിക്കുള്ള ഉത്സവാവസരങ്ങളിൽ മാത്രമെ കൂടുതൽ ചാർജ്ജ് വസൂൽ ചെയ്യാനുള്ള അനുവാദം ഉള്ളു.

BUS FARE—ENHANCEMENT ON FESTIVAL OCCASIONS

136. മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. കൊച്ചുകുട്ടൻ: താഴെപറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്ക ബഹു മാനപ്പെട്ട ഗവർമ്മെണ്ടു സദയം മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

(എ) ടാൻസ്പോർട്ട് സംബന്ധമായ കാര്യങ്ങളിൽ ഗവർമ്മെണ്ടിനെ ഉപദേശിക്കുന്ന ടാൻസ്പോർട്ട് അതോറിറ്റി (Transport Authority) യുടെ സമ്മതത്തോടുകൂടിയാണോ ഫസ്റ്റ് ക്ലാസ് ചോദ്യത്തിൽ പറഞ്ഞിരിക്കുന്ന ഈ ഉത്തരവു പാസ്സാക്കിയിട്ടുള്ളതു";

(ബി) ഈ ടാൻസ്പോർട്ട Authority യിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടുന്ന മെമ്പർമാർ ആരെല്ലാം?

മിസ്റ്റർ ബി. വി. കെ. മേനോൻ :

(എ) Transport Authority യുടെ ഉപദേശത്തോടുകൂടിയാണ് ഗവർമ്മെണ്ട് ടി ഉത്തരവു പാസ്സാക്കിയിട്ടുള്ളതു".

(ബി) മെമ്പർമാർ.—

ക. പോലീസ്സ് കമ്മീഷണർ, ചെയർമാൻ
ഖ. അഞ്ചൽ, റജിസ്ട്രേഷൻ സൂപ്രണ്ടെ
ന. മ. രാ. രാ. റാവുസാഹിബ്ബ് മാറായിൽ നാണുമേനോൻ
ഘ. മ. രാ. രാ. റാവുസാഹിബ്ബ് വി. പി. ലോനപ്പൻ
ങ. പോലീസ്സ് കമ്മീഷണരുടെ പേർസനൽ അസിസ്റ്റാണ്ട്, സിക്രട്ടറി.

SUBORDINATE TRAMWAY STAFF

137. Choudhury G. S. Dhara Singh *(Mattancheri)*: Will Government be pleased to answer.—

(*a*) how many persons in the Cochin Tramway subordinate staff, and Hill tract staff including menials have retired during the last 5 years;

(*b*) how many persons have received pension; and for what length of time each;

(*c*) now how many persons who were subordinates drawing pensions; what amount in total;

(*d*) how many persons of the Hill tract subordinate staff have died out of malaria and accidents during the last 5 years;

(*e*) had the Government at any time, proposed to introduce provident fund system as far as the Hill tract subordinates were concerned;

(*f*) if so, why was not the same introduced?

Mr. S. Venkiteswaran *(Conservator of Forests)* :

(*a*) 29 persons.

(*b*) 19. Details furnished in the list appended *(Appendix III)*.

(*c*) 17. Rs. 247—13—0 per mensem (details in the list appended).

(*d*) 30 Tramway subordinates died in harness during the last five years; most of them due to reaction of repeated incidence of malaria; one out of accident. It cannot definitely be stated that all of the above 29 men have died out of malaria alone but the unhealthy nature of the tract in which they had to work has contributed much to these casualties.

(*e*) and (*f*) Contributory Provident Fund system was in existence for the Tramway Field staff till the year 1118. It was only in 1118 that they were brought under pensionable service which is more advantageous to them.

POSTWAR DEVELOPMENT SCHEME—CANDIDATES FOR FOREIGN STUDIES

138. Choudhury G. S. Dhara Singh *(Mattancheri)*: Will Government be pleased to answer.—

(*a*) how many candidates, selected by the Government to undergo technical training abroad in connection with Post-war Development Scheme, have not left the State and who are they ;

(*b*) why they have not left till now?

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Rama Varmha Tampuran, M.B.E. *(Chief Secretary to Government)*:

(*a*) 11. They are.—

1. Mr. T. Madhusudana Menon
2. ,, M. Kumarankutty Menon
3. ,, C. J. Peter
4. ,, T. S. Chattunny
5. ,, K. Rajagopal
6. ,, K. R. Menon
7. ,, K. Neelakantan
8. ,, Joseph Panikulam
9. ,, K. M. Alikunhi
10. ,, C. M. George
11. ,, S. R. Chandran

Intimation has been received that Messrs. Madhusudana Menon, C. M. George and S. R. Chandran have secured admission.

(*b*) Because admissions have not been secured for them.

PORINGALKUTH SCHEME

139. Choudhury G. S. Dhara Singh *(Mattancheri)*: Will Government be Pleased to state.—

how far the work of the Poringalkuthu Scheme has progressed?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer)*:

The work on the Survey of the Reservoir site connected with the first stage is nearing completion. A separate Hydro Electric Division has been formed and orders for tools and plant are being placed.

2. Announcement by the President regarding setting up of an enquiry committee for examining alleged ill-treatment by the Police

Mr. President: Before starting discussion on the grant for Police, I would like to say that the Government have taken note of the dis-satisfaction which has been expressed by a number of Hon'ble Members on the nature of the enquiries which have been held into the allegations of ill-treatment by the Police of persons while in their custody and that Government have decided to institute a special enquiry into these allegations.

3. VOTING OF DEMANDS FOR GRANTS

20-Police

Mr. B. V. K. Menon *(Secretary to Government)*: Sir, I move for an allotment of Rs. 9,40,207 under 20-Police. I request that the House may be pleased to vote the grant.

CUT MOTIONS

1. Inadequacy of the pay of the State constabulary

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: I move, Sir, to reduce the allotment of Rs. 1,48,442 for Executive Force by Re. 1 (to urge upon the Government the great need to enhance the pay of the constabulary of the State).

The object which I have in mind in tabling this cut, Sir, is to see that bare justice is done to a force which is considered to be the custodian of the peace and safety of the land. Whether in a law-abiding country like Cochin, law-abiding even to a fault, whether any body of force at all is necessary is a different matter. Now that we have thought it necessary to fall in line with British Raj, whose slaves we were and introduced the Police Force here, it is up to us, Sir, to see that our Police Force gets at least minimum living wages. You will be pleased to find, Sir, that unlike the neighbouring Madras Province, where the pay of the constable is on a time-scale arrangement, which is from Rs. 22 to 29 per mensem, what we have got here in a force of about 594 units, or so according to the budget, constables are divided into three grades, 235 of them getting the big daily wage of 5 annas 4 pies or monthly Rs. 10—true that they were getting it also in the days when commodities were selling cheap, but when prices have rocketted and when the ordinary labourer, whether he is one who turns out any work or not, for merely going to an employer who perhaps may not be supervising the work very efficiently, for merely sitting there with a pick-axe or some other instrument used for labour, he gets in these days, Sir, Rs. 2 the

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